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Senators and Celebrities



Scottsdale, Ariz., — It was, let's face it, a far cry from the acute problems of the Middle East, and some of the senators at this plush

tennis resort thought they should have been dealing with the Soviet perils in Washington instead. But Jimmy Carter didn't ask them to come back early.

So last week a flock of them, with one ear to the ground and a telephone within reach, dropped everything to participate in their annual Senators-Celebrities Tournament at John Gardiner's Tennis Ranch here. As soon as they were settled in the sand-colored casitas that nestled against one side of the famed somnolent camel, known as Camel Back Mountain, they rushed out to one of the 24 foliage-edged courts.

The Washington big wigs, who had checked in the day before, were CIA Director and Mrs. Stansfield Turner, the Percys (he was captain of the Republican team), Sen. "Dee" Huddleston, and wife Jean, Sen. and Mrs. Lowell Weicker, Sen. and Mrs. Paul Laxalt, Sen. and Mrs. Ed Zorinsky and ABC's John Scali and wife Denise.

Authur Murray, who is 84, was out on the courts with his wife everyday. Stan Turner is such an avid tennis man he plays outdoors in Washington year-round.

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